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will allow his portrait to be taken for the Society, to be hung for ever in the room which shall be appropriated to his Library, so that the person of the liberal donor may always be associated with the collection which he so much loved and cherished, and that the form as well as the name of so wise and ardent and munificent a patron of learning and literature may be always connected with the result of his labors, at once as a just memorial of himself, and an animating example to others.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions, duly attested by all the officers of the Society, be communicated to Mr. Dowse by the President, with the cordial wishes of every member that the best blessings of Heaven may rest upon the close of his long, honorable, and useful life.

After some remarks from Mr. J. C. GRAY, Mr. GEO. LIVERMORE, Chief-Justice SHAW, and Mr. EVERETT, the foregoing resolutions were unanimously adopted; the members rising simultaneously in their seats, in token of assent, when the question was put from the chair.

Letters from President Quincy, Hon. James Savage, and Hon. David Sears, were read, expressing the high sense entertained by those gentlemen of the liberality of Mr. Dowse, and of the value and importance of his donation.

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#### AUGUST MEETING.

The Society held their stated monthly meeting on Thursday, Aug. 14, at noon, at their rooms in Tremont Street, Boston; the President, Hon. ROBERT C. WINTHROP, in the chair.

The Librarian announced donations from Winthrop Sargent, Esq.; the Essex Institute; the Trustees of the New-York State Library; the Connecticut Historical Society; Yale College; the American Philosophical Society; Rev. Erastus Scranton; Henry Stevens, Esq., Corresponding Member; and Messrs. Quincy, Shurtleff, and Washburn, Resident Members.

The President announced that he had communicated to Mr. Dowse a certified copy of the Resolves, with the names of all the officers, and that Mr. Dowse had, with some reluctance, consented to sit for his portrait. And thereupon *Voted*, That the Standing Committee stand charged with the subject of a portrait.

*Voted*, That the thanks of the Society be presented to our Corresponding Member, Henry Stevens, Esq., for his gift of the Camden Society's Publications, in fifty volumes.

HON. PETER FORCE, of Washington City, was duly elected a Corresponding Member.

Rev. Dr. Lowell's request for permission to copy two letters addressed by Rev. Dr. Colman to Rev. William Hooper — Feb. 13 and 15, 1739-40 — was granted under the rules.

On motion of Mr. AMES, — *Voted*, That a Committee of Three be appointed to collect and arrange all such acts of Parliament as relate to the Colonies in general, and to Massachusetts Colony in particular. Messrs. Ames, Shattuck, and Brigham were appointed.